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LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1223
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Research Work on Chronological Periods of Ramayana and Mahabharat
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any studies/research work/excavation work has been conducted to determine the exact calendar period of occurrence of Ramayana and Mahabharatha;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details relating to research works and their results to find out important contemporary world events that probably occurred during Ramayana and Mahabharatha period?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE, CULTURE AND TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) & (b) No, Madam. However, a few sites which have reference in Ramayana and Mahbharata have been excavated. The details are at Annexure.

(c) No such research studies have been carried out by ASI.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) & (c) OF LOK SABHA QUESTION DAIRY NO. 1223 FOR 25.07.2016

I. Ramayana:

1. Ayodhya, District Faizabad, Uttar Pradesh (1979-80)
NBPW (c. 7th Cent. B.C.)
2. Sringaverapura, District Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh (1977-86)
Period Circa 8th Cent. B.C to 13th Cent. A.D.
3. Chitrakuta, District Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh (1977-86)
NBPW (c 7th Cent. BC.)
4. Nandigarma, District Faizabad, Uttar Pradesh (1977-86)
NBPW (C.7th Cent. B.C.)
5. Pariar, District Unnao, Uttar Pradesh (1977-86)
OCP (c. 14th Cent. B.C.)

II. Mahabharat :

1. Hastinapura, District Meerut, Uttar Pradesh (1950-52)
NBPW (c.7th Cent. BC).
2. Mathura , District Mathura, Uttar Pradesh (1973-75 and 1976-77)
6th Cent. B.C. to 6th Cent. A.D.
3. Purana Qila, New Delhi (1954-55)
Mauryan (c.3rd Cent. B.C. to late Mughal period (c.18th Cent. A.D.